

1-1 By: White, Minjarez, Dominguez H.B. No. 114
 1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Birdwell)
 1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 11, 2019;
 1-4 April 15, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-5 Veteran Affairs & Border Security; April 26, 2019, reported
 1-6 favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; April 26, 2019,
 1-7 sent to printer.)

1-8 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-10	X			
1-11	X			
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1-13	X			
1-14	X			
1-15	X			
1-16	X			

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to providing public high school students information
 1-20 regarding the availability of college credit awarded for military
 1-21 experience, education, and training obtained during military
 1-22 service.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 33.007, Education Code, is amended by
 1-25 amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (b-2) to read as
 1-26 follows:

1-27 (b) During the first school year a student is enrolled in a
 1-28 high school or at the high school level in an open-enrollment
 1-29 charter school, and again during each year of a student's
 1-30 enrollment in high school or at the high school level, a school
 1-31 counselor shall provide information about postsecondary education
 1-32 to the student and the student's parent or guardian. The
 1-33 information must include information regarding:

1-34 (1) the importance of postsecondary education;

1-35 (2) the advantages of earning an endorsement and a
 1-36 performance acknowledgment and completing the distinguished level
 1-37 of achievement under the foundation high school program under
 1-38 Section 28.025;

1-39 (3) the disadvantages of taking courses to prepare for
 1-40 a high school equivalency examination relative to the benefits of
 1-41 taking courses leading to a high school diploma;

1-42 (4) financial aid eligibility;

1-43 (5) instruction on how to apply for federal financial
 1-44 aid;

1-45 (6) the center for financial aid information
 1-46 established under Section 61.0776;

1-47 (7) the automatic admission of certain students to
 1-48 general academic teaching institutions as provided by Section
 1-49 51.803;

1-50 (8) the eligibility and academic performance
 1-51 requirements for the TEXAS Grant as provided by Subchapter M,
 1-52 Chapter 56;

1-53 (9) the availability of programs in the district under
 1-54 which a student may earn college credit, including advanced
 1-55 placement programs, dual credit programs, joint high school and
 1-56 college credit programs, and international baccalaureate programs;
 1-57 ~~and~~

1-58 (10) the availability of education and training
 1-59 vouchers and tuition and fee waivers to attend an institution of
 1-60 higher education as provided by Section 54.366 for a student who is
 1-61 or was previously in the conservatorship of the Department of

2-1 Family and Protective Services; and
2-2 (11) the availability of college credit awarded by
2-3 institutions of higher education to veterans and military
2-4 servicemembers for military experience, education, and training
2-5 obtained during military service as described by the informational
2-6 materials developed under Section 302.0031(h), Labor Code.

2-7 (b-2) Information provided under Subsection (b)(11) must
2-8 explain to any student who is enlisted or intends to enlist in the
2-9 armed forces of the United States the informational materials
2-10 developed under Section 302.0031(h), Labor Code.

2-11 SECTION 2. Section 302.0031, Labor Code, is amended by
2-12 adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

2-13 (h) For purposes of Section 33.007(b)(11), Education Code,
2-14 the commission, in cooperation with the Texas Higher Education
2-15 Coordinating Board, shall develop and annually make available to
2-16 each school district and each open-enrollment charter school that
2-17 offers a high school program informational materials regarding the
2-18 availability of college credit awarded by institutions of higher
2-19 education to veterans and military servicemembers for military
2-20 experience, education, and training obtained during military
2-21 service, including information regarding the program under this
2-22 section.

2-23 SECTION 3. Section 33.007, Education Code, as amended by
2-24 this Act, applies beginning with the 2020-2021 school year.

2-25 SECTION 4. Not later than September 1, 2020, the Texas
2-26 Workforce Commission, in cooperation with the Texas Higher
2-27 Education Coordinating Board, shall develop and make available to
2-28 each school district and each open-enrollment charter school that
2-29 offers a high school program the informational materials required
2-30 under Section 302.0031(h), Labor Code, as added by this Act.

2-31 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-32 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-33 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-34 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-35 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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